

**Delaware Department of Agriculture  
Pesticide Compliance**

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**Pesticide Training And Testing Program**

We are introducing a revised schedule for the training and testing of pesticide applicators.

There will be two training programs conducted by the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension and the Delaware Department of Agriculture in 2008. The first program will be held on:

March 3, 2008, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

It will be held on the Dover Campus of Delaware Technical and Community College on Scarborough Road in room 400B of the Corporate Training Building. The second program will be held in September at the same location. The date for the second program will be established later in the Spring. Each training session will 4 hours. The pesticide exam will be administered in the afternoon on same day.

The Department of Agriculture will be conducting testing once each month in the Delaware Department of Agriculture Conference Center on Rt 13 in Camden. The schedule for the first four months are:

Wednesday January 23, 2008 8:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Wednesday February 27, 2008 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
Wednesday March 26, 2008 8:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Wednesday April 23, 2008 8:00 am – 12:00 noon

All of the training materials that are viewed in class may be viewed online at:

<http://ag.udel.edu/extension/pesticide/online.htm>

The National Pesticide Applicator Core Manual can be viewed online at:

<http://www.nasda.org/workersafety/>

Pesticide training manual can be obtained from the University of Delaware Entomology office in Newark or at the Cooperative Extension offices in Dover and Georgetown. The manual order form is available online at:

<http://www.udel.edu/pesticide/patorderform.pdf>

If you have any questions, please contact Larry Towle by phone at 302-698-4569 or by email at [larry.towle@state.de.us](mailto:larry.towle@state.de.us).

**Delaware Department of Agriculture  
Pesticide Compliance Section  
Pesticide Applicator Certification  
Exam Instructions**

Instructions

1. Registration for the exam: You must register for the pesticide applicator examinations **at least one week prior to the exam date**. To register, call the Delaware Department of Agriculture at 302-698-4571 or 1-800-282-8685 (DE only) and ask for the Pesticide Compliance Section. Please be prepared to provide the following information: Full Name; Phone Number (where you can be reached during the day); Address; and which category(s) of pest control you will be tested in.
2. Training Manuals: **Anyone attending training must purchase the Core Manual with the Workbook prior to the training. Please bring the manuals with you since they are an integral part of the training.** These manuals are available for purchase through the University of Delaware, Entomology Department--call 302-831-2526, or the local county extension office. Kent County 302-730-4000, Sussex County 302-856-7303. Please call to confirm that they have the manuals you need.
3. Exam Information: The exams will be given closed book. Pocket calculators are recommended for use on the exams, which include calibration questions.
4. Reporting of Grades: A passing score is 70% or higher. Exam results will be mailed to the address listed on the exam cover page. For those failing the exam, an opportunity to retake the exam will be given thirty days after the initial exam. A date for the re-examination will be included with your test score notice. Only one re-examination is permitted in any twelve (12) month period.
5. Payment For Certificates: Payment is due within 30 days of receipt of your passing notice. The fee is \$30.00 for commercial pesticide applicators.

**Training review available** - University of Delaware Cooperative Extension will be offering pesticide review training the day of the March 3, and September exams. This training will provide information for the "core/private" applicators exam. For more information on the content of this training, contact: Susan King, CES Pesticide Coordinator at 302-831-2526.

- Study the Core Manual for free!

Go to: <http://pmep.cce.cornell.edu/facts-slides-self/core-tutorial/index.html> on the web and you will find the complete core manual as a tutorial. You will still need to buy a Training Workbook and bring it to quarterly training with you.

Check out the Delaware Pesticide Information web page for more information and a study guide for the core exam: <http://www.udel.edu/pesticide/>